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INTERVIEW SUMMARY

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Mr. K. Vu (3) _____
(2) Tung (4) _____

Date of Interview 7-12-00

Type: Telephonic Televideo Conference Personal (copy is given to applicant applicant's representative).

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: Yes No If yes, brief description: _____

Agreement was reached. was not reached.

Claim(s) discussed: _____

Identification of prior art discussed: _____

Description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:
Mr. Vu argued that the Suzaki porous layer has a different function than applicant's boundary layer. Mr. Vu also argued that the plasma injection of Suzaki is not the same as the sintering of base or applicant and the resulting product is different. Examiner does not agree, the function of the Suzaki layer is irrelevant. Suzaki is merely relied on to show concept of large particles. Examiner also disagrees with the second point as being factual (i.e. disagrees with the specific conclusion argument attached.) so far as sintering is concerned. needs to be demonstrated as factual.
(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments, if available, which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments which would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview.

Unless the paragraph above has been checked to indicate to the contrary, A FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION IS NOT WAIVED AND MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW.

Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an attachment to another form.